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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated November 21, 200 for which a response is due on or before February 21, 2003.

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration on the merits are requested.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication of withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement rendering claims 1-21 pending.

Claims 1-10, 13-17 and 20 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as obvious over Badesha, et al. In response, Applicants traverse the rejection.

Badesha, et al. Is described in the present specification at page 6, lines 8-13. Badesha, et al. does not teach or suggest the presently claimed $\frac{\text{transfix component}}{\text{component}}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ the image forming apparatus.

The present claims are directed towards a specific image forming apparatus that includes a) a charge retentive surface, b) a development component, c) a transfer